

INVESTIGATION IS
AFTER THE TALL TIMBER

Former Governor Odell Denies That He Withdrew
Bill to Legislature Against the
Shipping Trust

REUSE PAID \$75,000, AND ASKS GOD'S HELP

Even Eloquent Afternoon Speaker, Chauncy Depew, Asked
President to Send Hyde as Am-
bassador to France.

PRESIDENT SAID, IT WOULDN'T BEGIN TO DO AT ALL

New York, Nov. 16.—F. B. Odell, Jr., former governor of New York, and at present chairman of the state republican committee, was the first witness before the insurance investigating committee today. Odell was asked whether or not there was any political influence or pressure brought to bear on the Mercantile Trust company, directly or indirectly, to induce settlement. He replied that there was not.

"Will you state, Governor," asked Prosecutor Hughes, "whether you had any information with regard to the introduction of a bill in the senate for the purpose of repealing the charter of the Mercantile Trust company?" "I knew of it at the time," he replied. "Who advised you of it?" "I knew of it before its introduction."

"From whom did you get the information?" "Oh, from various people, as to the propriety of introducing such a measure." "Did you suggest its introduction?" "No." "Did you request its introduction?" "I saw no objection to it."

"What was your attitude at that time?" "Simply that it was up to the legislature to decide whether or not it was wise to repeal the charter of the Mercantile Trust company. It was not a matter of life and death, as it were, and it was not a matter of political expediency. It was a matter of principle."

Odell said that the bill was intended to bring about an investigation of the Mercantile Trust company. At that time he had no suit pending against the Mercantile Trust company.

When the bill was introduced, the witness said that he had every dollar of his holdings invested in the Shipbuilding company. Later, these holdings were sold at auction, and he told that a governor should not have either a direct or indirect interest in the matter while it was before the legislature. His holdings cost him \$164,171, and brought only \$43,687.

Odell denies that he ever threatened retaliatory measures against the Mercantile Trust company or any one else, if his claim was not settled. The witness was asked if, later, he changed his mind about the propriety of introducing the measure in the legislature, and he replied:

"Yes, sir. From the fact that the base calumny which Mr. Hyde uttered here had been circulated in the papers, I called upon Senator Amblerin and said that desirable as I believed legislation would be, I feared that my unfortunate connection with the Shipbuilding matter was of such character that it would be better to drop this legislation."

Mr. Odell then said that he wrote a letter, at the request of Mr. McIntyre, former fourth vice president of the Equitable, in behalf of Mr. Hyde's candidacy for the French ambassadorship. This had nothing to do, however, with the Shipbuilding settlement. The letter was written before the settlement.

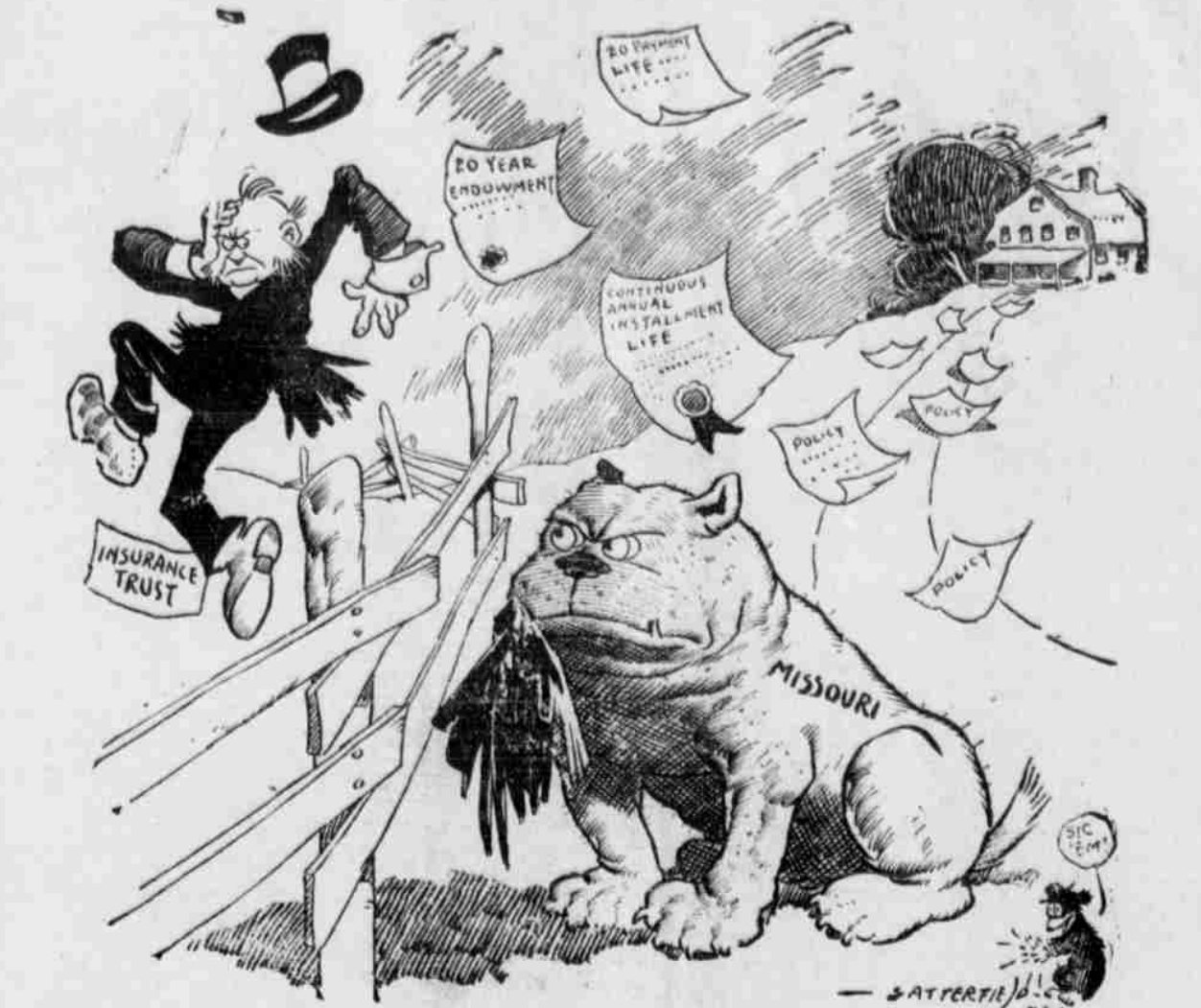
In regard to political contributions, the witness said that he knew nothing about them. He also said that he knew nothing about any efforts of the insurance companies to prevent initial legislation. He said that no money had ever been placed in his hands, either directly or indirectly, for political purposes or for otherwise influencing legislation. His suit was not the only Shipbuilding suit settled, stated Mr. Odell. The Undermyer claim was settled and so were others. He felt that his claim was just.

"Of course," said Prosecutor Hughes, "you understand that the committee is not here to try the merits of the claim. We are simply interested because definite threats were made that—"

"There is no truth in the statement, so help me God," was the response. Here Odell was asked to tell precisely facts about the introduction of the Ambler bill against the Mercantile Trust company.

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MISSOURI SHOWS 'EM



St. Louis, Mo.: State Insurance Commissioner Vandiver has prohibited the New York Life from doing business in Missouri.—News Item.

BAPTISTS HOLD
FALL GATHERING

One of the Largest Religious
Denominations in World
Active in

VIRGINIA AND TEXAS FIELDS

Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 16.—Baptists from all parts of the state are assembled here in large numbers, to attend the eighty-second annual conference of the Baptist General association of Virginia, which opens its session here this evening. The sessions will be held at the First Baptist church, where the conference will be opened this evening by President W. W. Moffett. The Rev. J. L. Ross will deliver the opening sermon. J. B. Turpin will deliver the address of welcome, and R. A. Williams will deliver the response. The conference will remain in session until Monday evening.

The question of education and the establishment of a female school by the church in the central portion of the state will be one of the most important matters that will be considered by the conference. Many distinguished ministers and laymen of the church are in attendance and many of them will address the conference.

TEXAS NEGRO CONVENTION
ASSEMBLED IN HOUSTON

Houston, Tex., Nov. 16.—The 4th annual session of the Texas Negro Convention opened at noon at United Brotherhood Hall, in this city, for a two days' session. Several hundred delegates were present. They were welcomed on behalf of the business men by D. A. Luster, on behalf of the churches by Rev. S. L. Jones, on behalf of the press by C. N. Love, on behalf of the physicians by Dr. E. B. Ramsey, on behalf of the educators by the Rev. D. A. Scott, and on behalf of the fraternalists by J. D. Ryan. Responses were made by L. D. Lyons of Austin, the Rev. A. R. Griggs, Dallas; Theodore Baughman, Victoria; Dr. G. J. Starnes, San Antonio; the Rev. W. J. Laws, and the Rev. F. W. Hildesoe, Marshall. This evening there will be a large meeting at Trinity M. E. church, when various subjects, touching upon the social, economical and religious sides of the negro question will be considered and discussed.

NEW ROAD TO INDIAN
SCHOOL FORMALLY OPENED

The county commissioners met at the court house at 10 o'clock this morning for the purpose of formally opening the new road to the Indian school, which was only recently completed. The road was declared open and will now be used as a public highway. It will fill a long felt want.

As the result of the division of precinct number 5 into two precincts to be known as precinct No. 1 and precinct No. 2, the board found it necessary to appoint a road supervisor for the new precinct. Nicolas Ortega, formerly road supervisor of precinct No. 5 was appointed to preside over precinct No. 1, while Fredricko Chavez was appointed to fill the position of supervisor of precinct No. 2 made vacant by the resignation of Ortega.

Other minor business of a routine nature was transacted after which the board adjourned.

AMERICAN ANTI-QUARANTINE
PRESIDENT IS DEAD.

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 16.—Stephen Salisbury, president of the American Anti-Quarantine society, one of the wealthiest men in New England, and a noted philanthropist, died at his home here today of pneumonia, aged seventy six.

FIVE BURN IN
TENEMENT FIRE

Six Story Building Occupied
by Italians Was
Destroyed.

LABOR FEDERATION DELEGATES

New York, Nov. 16.—At least five persons were burned to death in an Italian tenement house fire at 221 East Seventy-third street early today. The building was six stories high, and the sleeping tenants on the upper floors were prisoners, while the ground floor was a ragging furnace below them. Three persons on a upper floor were kneeling in prayer when the fire reached them. Within the first hour after the fire was under control the bodies of three women and two men were taken from the stairway between the second and third floors. The dead are Giuseppe Rialdizzo, Antonio Lorea, Calvatore Nazzari, Santa Imazza and Antonio Seidale.

DECORATIONS CAUGHT AND
SCARED LABOR DELEGATES.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 16.—There was a slight panic among the delegates to the American Federation of Labor during the session of the convention this morning in this city, caused by decorations in the rear of the hall taking fire from an unknown cause. The fire soon burned itself out and no one was injured.

DEVELOPMENT AND TAXES
CONSIDERED IN KENTUCKY.

Winchester, Ky., Nov. 16.—Two highly important meetings are held here today, the meeting of the executive committee of the State Development Convention and the State Revenue and Taxation Committee of the General Assembly. The executive committee of the State Development Convention meets here today to consider the plans for the next annual convention, which will be held here next year. Both committees are the guests of the Winchester Commercial Club, and this evening the latter club will entertain the committee at a banquet, to which representatives of the Paducah Commercial Club and of the Owensboro Business Men's association have also been invited.

FIELD TRIALS OF MANY
MARYLAND HUNTING DOGS.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 16.—The third annual field trials of the Maryland and District of Columbia Field Trials association began today on the estate of Edwin B. Hardestad, at Easton. The trials will continue for three days and the number of entries is much larger than in former years. The association is now one of the largest amateur bodies of its kind in the country and numbers about seventy-five members each having at least one or two dogs. Many valuable prizes and cups are offered to the winners. There will be contests for various age classes and special contests for pointers and setters entered by outsiders.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 16.—Wool market steady and unchanged.

RIO JANEIRO AND HARBOR WHERE REVOLUTION
HAS NOW BROKEN OUT

The garrison has revolted as well as the naval squadron in the harbor, which threatens to bombard the city.

FAMOUS ITALIAN
SINGER IS DEAD

Riccardo Ricci Dies in Albu-
querque After Lingering
Illness.

HAD A NATIONAL REPUTATION

Riccardo Ricci, known the world over as a great singer, is dead, at the age of 51 years. Death came to the famous musician at his apartments in Albuquerque, where he had resided for the past year, coming here from the east to recover from an attack of tuberculosis. The disease had too great a hold on his constitution, and he was finally forced to give up the battle of life. He is survived by a wife who was at his bedside when the end came. The remains have been taken in charge by Undertaker A. Borders, who will ship them to the old home of the deceased in Wheeling, W. Va., for burial. They will be accompanied on their last journey by the bereaved wife and E. Curtis Clark, a former pupil of the deceased, who came all the way from Philadelphia to take the body east.

OFTEN CHANGES IN
CHIEF OF STAFF.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—The announcement of the early retirement of General Chaffee from the office of Chief of Staff has created much comment in the military service, and has called attention to the fact that in the coming year there will probably be as many as four different officers serving in that capacity. Gen. Chaffee will be succeeded by Gen. J. C. Bates, who will be followed by Gen. H. C. Corbin, who in turn will give way to Gen. Arthur MacArthur, according to the present plans. This rapid succession in the principal military office has its effect upon the military administration, and the president is coming to the conclusion, it would be better, on many accounts, for the chief of staff to have a longer term than a few months.

NEXT YEAR AT DENVER

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 16.—Denver will get the next meeting of the mining congress.

This was practically settled upon at a meeting of the directors of the congress held on their arrival in El Paso. The meeting was held at the Orndorff hotel.

While it was intended to keep the matter a secret, it leaked out yesterday that in all probability Denver would get the congress. The board has decided to abandon the policy, so far as circumstances will permit, of asking the convention cities to put up a sum of money to obtain the meeting. Believing the organization will thus be placed upon a more dignified plane, there will, therefore, probably be no vote in the convention as to where the next meeting will be held. The Globe delegates to the congress said last night that while they would have been glad to have the next congress they did not come here with any firm belief that they would get it, and they are not disappointed.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 16.—Spelter, steady, \$6.

FRANCE IS OUT
WITH CASTRO

Again Venezuela Rubs
French Fur the
Wrong Way.

WON'T PAY PLUMLY AWARD

Denmark's Aged King Cele-
brates His Forty Second
Anniversary.

DEEPLY LOVED BY HIS PEOPLE

Paris, Nov. 16.—The foreign office is advised that President Castro yesterday refused to pay the second installment of the Plumley arbitration award. The arbitration covered damages sustained by French citizens during the revolutionary periods prior to 1903 and was in favor of France, which country was awarded about \$650,000. President Castro paid the first installment about three months ago, but apparently refused to pay the second installment yesterday, on the ground that diplomatic relations are interrupted. The incident is considered as further provocation.

THOUSANDS OF LETTERS
AND TELEGRAMS SENT.

Copenhagen, Nov. 16.—In honor of the forty-second anniversary of King Christian's accession to the throne fetes were held yesterday and today all through Denmark. Everywhere the population of the greatest efforts to honor the king, and greatly beloved ruler. The king, who is still in excellent health, considering his eighty-six years, as usual spent the day at his royal seat, Fredenborg Castle. Many thousands of people marched to the castle and surrounding it on all sides, cheered the king, until he showed himself on the balcony, and thanked his people for the demonstration of their loyalty.

Thousands of letters and telegrams, containing congratulations, arrived from all parts of the world, and many valuable presents came from the other European rulers. In the afternoon the king received the members of the diplomatic corps and the members of the cabinet.

A PATRIOTIC CHINAMAN
VISITS THE CITIZEN

HE IS JIM SING, OF DOMINGO
STATION, AND HE FAVORS
JOINT STATEHOOD.

Jim Sing, the Chinaman who conducts a restaurant up Chinatown, at Domingo, (years ago known as Wallace, then later as Thornton), is in the city, and called at The Citizen office to pay a few dollars on his subscription account. Owing to a disfigured jaw, Jim cannot speak English, as plain as some of the Chinamen, but enough was obtained from him this morning to convince The Citizen that he is a staunch believer in joint statehood and that he will aid Messrs. Childers and Rodey all he can to induce President Roosevelt to put in his annual message to congress a clause favoring jointure for New Mexico and Arizona.

Jim is very proud of the fact that Senator Albert J. Beveridge favored him with his pamphlet containing his (Beveridge's) great speech on joint statehood, and it was that speech that turned him for jointure, otherwise Governor Otero and Colonel Max Frost might have induced him to come out in favor of single statehood.

Jim and his side-partner, Colonel Bogardus, since the death of Colonel J. L. Norris are the only two patriotic citizens of Domingo, alias Wallace, alias Thornton, once a thriving town and division point, of several hundred people, and on every Fourth of July Jim and Colonel Bogardus celebrate by hoisting the stars and stripes over Jim's restaurant, and drinking a few lemonades, spiked with the juice that makes all cheer, for the time at least. And every Thanksgiving they partake of the great American turkey, continuing the celebration from that time until the dawn of a new year.

Jim carries with him his photographic certificate, showing his right to be in the United States. It is dated the 21 day of February, 1893, No. 58,850, and signed by L. A. Hughes, collector of internal revenue for the district of New Mexico at that time.

FELL THIRTY FEET
INTO ROCK CANYON

The slipping yesterday of some timbers on a bridge being built on the Zununi Mountain highway by M. C. West, who probably result in the death of two men. One is Richard Rogers, a bridge carpenter whose family reside at the Sulphur springs in the Jemez mountains, and the other is Lloyd Phelps, who recently wandered into the bridge camp at which he was injured.

Both of the injured men were brought to the city this morning on train No. 2 in an unconscious condition and removed to the Sisters' hospital, where they are under the care of Dr. M. K. Wylder, physician for the American Lumber company. Both have fractured skulls and neither had regained consciousness at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The slipping of the timbers precipitated a fall of thirty feet into a rock canyon.

FALSE EMPEROR
HAS APPEARED

His Following Numbers
50,000 Men, Says
Startling Report.

JEWS MAY TAKE ANY MONEY

Sent Them by Foreign Coun-
tries—Strike Promises
Collapse.

EMPEROR HOLDS FIRST CABINET

St. Petersburg, Nov. 16.—A false emperor has made his appearance near Penza, and already his following numbers 50,000. This startling report was received this afternoon in a dispatch from Simbirsk.

BARON GUNSBURG WILL
GIVE OUT JEWISH RELIEF.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 16.—Baron Günsburg, a well known Jewish philanthropist of St. Petersburg, has received imperial authority for the distribution of Jewish relief funds raised in America, England and other foreign countries. He is now organizing committees.

STRIKE MAY FAIL
BECAUSE OF DISSENT.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 16.—The outlook is much less threatening today and the general strike is promising to collapse within a few days. An appeal to the country to join in the expense has been made, and dissensions in the ranks of the workmen are increasing.

BOURSE PANIC STARTS
ON GRAND DUKE RUMOR.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 16.—A panic prevailed on the Bourse today as a result of the rumor that Grand Duke Nicholas, Nicholasavitch, commander of the imperial guard, had been appointed military dictator. The rumor was promptly denied.

FIRST MEETING OF
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 16.—A special meeting of the cabinet with Emperor Nicholas presiding is being held this afternoon to consider the situation. This is the first meeting of the cabinet with the emperor presiding since the creation of a responsible ministry.

PLAINTIFF CLOSES CASE
IN WASHINGTON MINE SUIT

TESTIMONY OF DEFENDANTS
WILL BE HEARD NOVEMBER
24—CALL OF CRIMINAL DOCKET
TOMORROW MORNING.

The taking of evidence for the plaintiff in the famous Washington mine case, which has been occupying the attention of Judge Abbott in chambers for several weeks past, was finished today by Attorney H. H. Ferguson and the plaintiff's side of the case closed. On November 24, Attorney W. B. Childers and E. W. Dobson, appearing for the defendants in the suit, will present their side of the case.

Call of Criminal Docket.

There will be a call of the criminal docket tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, at which time cases to be heard at the coming term will be set for hearing by Judge Abbott. The court requests that every attorney who is interested in any case to come up at the next term of the district court be present at the calling of the docket.

May Continue Quo Warranto.

As a result of the refusal of Attorney General George W. Prichard to allow counsel for T. S. Hubbell in the fight for the abatement of the prosecution quo warranto proceedings against Porfirio Armljo in the name of the territory, counsel for Hubbell has filed a motion with Judge Abbott asking that they be allowed permission to continue quo warranto proceedings without the consent of the attorney general. The motion will draw the attorney general into the controversy which is from time to time becoming more complicated. Arguments on the motion will come up later.

PRESIDENT OF METROPOLITAN
LIFE ON THE SLAB.

New York, Nov. 16.—As John R. Hageman, president of the Metropolitan Life insurance company, sat under the examination of the Armstrong legislative committee, he seemed a cross between Henry Ward Beecher and Robert Colyer, with a slight dash of St. Simon Stylites thrown in to add to the effect of sanctification. His emphatic expression of abhorrence for the perpendiculous pronoun made a deep impression upon William Barnes, Sr., of Albany, who looked on with a quizzical glint in his eyes. When Mr. Hageman finished the statement about not drawing the salary of \$100,000, Mr. Barnes leaned forward and whispered to a man in front that there was the face of a saint. "Yes," reported Mr. Hughes, the prosecutor, softly, as he overheard the remark, "but no saint was ever so holy as Mr. Hageman looks."